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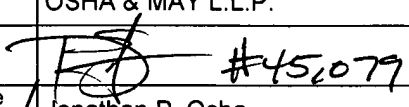
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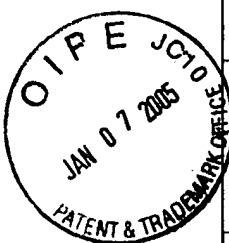
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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>			Docket No. 04995/120001
Application No. 10/681,794-Conf. #6725	Filing Date October 8, 2003	Examiner S. L. Estremsky	Art Unit 3681

Applicant(s): Masanari Wakamatsu

Invention: POWER TRANSFER APPARATUS OF FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE AND DEVICE FOR CONTROLLING TORQUE

**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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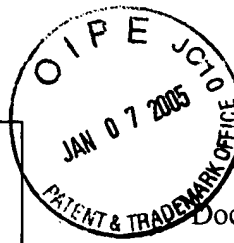
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Application No.: 10/681,794

Confirmation Number: 6725

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Art Unit: 3681

For: POWER TRANSFER APPARATUS OF FOUR-  
WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE AND DEVICE FOR  
CONTROLLING TORQUE

Examiner: S. L. Estremsky

**TRANSMITTAL OF DRAWING CORRECTION**

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Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith is one set (three sheets, eight figures) of corrected drawings for filing in the above-identified patent application.

The Examiner objected to the drawings for reasons stated in the Office Action dated October 7, 2004. The enclosed new drawings correct these informalities.

Favorable consideration of the enclosed drawings is respectfully requested.

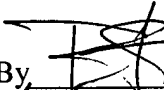
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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0591, under Order No. 04995/120001 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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